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# Celilo tour gives execs close-up

he November Circuit ran some photos of the Celilo Converter Station open house at The Dalles late this summer. The station is 30 years old this year. While BPA employees, families and retirees visited and enjoyed the open house, others toured the station.

Some folks got an in-depth tour led by Celilo Station Manager Bruce Lavier. He took then-

(Left) Celilo Chief Operator Bruce Lavier (center) explains an operation as then-Administrator Judi Johansen and Transmission Senior VP Mark Maher look at the huge equipment. (Right) A sign on an inside door at the Celilo Converter Station gives some idea of the prestige BPA and its people have within the world engineering

(Photos by Jack Odgaard)

Administrator Judi Johansen, Transmission Senior Vice President Mark Maher and others on a closeup look. The group saw the giant thyristor valves, older mercury arc valves that they replaced, the control center, the power yard and more.

Celilo is the northern end of the direct-current transmission line that connects BPA and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power



(LADWP). The DC line is the biggest of the four high voltage power lines that make up the Pacific Northwest-Pacific Southwest Intertie.

The 3,100-megawatt DC line is 860 miles long. It's the largest and longest high voltage DC line in North America and one of the largest in the world.

## September anniversaries

### 10 years

David C. Coseo, Accountant, Managerial Accountant, Portland

Ann Y. Shintani, Public Utilities Specialist, Western Power Business Area, Portland

Margaret G. Stahl, Transmission Field Clerk, Redmond Region, Celilo

Christopher R. Jenks, Light Truck Driver, Material Handling 7 Transportation, Vancouver

Andreas P. Mueller, Chemist, HV Equipment, Vancouver

Jill M. Grunkemeier, Structural Engineer, Transmission Development, Portland

Adelmo A. De La Cruz, Electrical Engineer, Customer Service Planning & Engineering, Portland

#### 20 years

Randolph D. Perrin, Program Analyst, Information Systems, Portland

Jean A. Pennington, Public Information Assistant, Information Services, Portland

Tami S. Panichello, Computer Specialist, Operation Services, Portland

Sandra L. Fenner, Disbursement Technician, Disbursement Operations, Portland

Grant W. Vincent, Computer Specialist, Information

System Development, Portland James C. Reilly, Public Utilities Specialist, Weather

& Streamflow Forecasting, Portland

Cecil F. Hamilton, Power System Control Craftsman II. Franklin

Robert A. Stronczek, Electronics Engineer, Network

Planning, Vancouver Ron E. Baugh, Computer Specialist, Technical

Operations, Vancouver

### 25 years

Karen A. Delano, Visual Information Specialist, Audio/Visual Media, Portland

Charles R. Hubbard, Safety & Occupation Health Specialist, Safety, Vancouver

Kevin E. Dorning, Computer Specialist, Cyber Protection Program Manager, Portland

Deborah Maria, Public Utilities Specialist,

Information System Development, Portland Mollie L. Gratreak, Secretary, Business Strategy

Finance & Risk Management, Portland

Spencer G. Wedlund Jr., Public Utilities Specialist,

Account Services, Portland

Arthur W. Watherwax, Substation Operator, Substation Operations, Franklin

### 30 years

Lois N. Delihanty, Management Analyst, Internal Operations, Portland

Mary M. Schneider, Management Assistant,

Information Services, Portland **Stephen J. Bonneville,** Duty Transmission

Acquisition, Duty Scheduling, Portland

Clinton A. Bostwick, Right-Of-Way Maintenance Specialist, Snohomish Region

Randolph D. Vantuyl, Electrician, Substation

Maintenance, Vancouver

Michael G. Coogan, Senior System Dispatcher,

Dittmer Dispatch, Vancouver

### 35 years

David L. Alt, Line Equipment Operator A, Transmission Field Services, Vancouver Verne G. Newsom, System Protection Control Craftsman II, Vancouver

Dennis R. Myers, Substation Operator, Substation Operations, Ashe

# October anniversaries

#### 5 years

Wendy L. Hilger, Disbursement Operations, Time Coordinator, Portland

Richard L. Kleint, TLM - Chemawa, Lineman, Chemawa

#### 10 years

David L. Etherly, Shared Services, Management Analyst, Portland

Donita L. Jordan, Internal/External Communications, Audio/Visual Coordinator, Portland

Sandra J. Cooksey, Transmission Acquisition Scheduling, Public Utilities Specialist, Portland Jack M. Callahan, Customer Services, Mechanical

Engineer, Portland Joseph J. Van Buren, Substation Operations-Franklin, Substation Operator, Franklin Christopher L. Patrick, Substation Maintenance-

Celilo, Electrician Foreman II, Celilo Joel V. Reyna, Apprentices-Franklin, Substation Operator Apprentice, Franklin

#### 15 years

Ronald J. Homenick, Financial Analysis & Requirements, Financial Analyst, Portland Lynne F. Valenzuela, Staff Management, Administrative Specialist, Portland

Julie A. Costello, OBS-Transmission Acquisition, Public Utilities Specialist, Portland

Cheryl D. Emerson, Transmission Field Services, Cost Analyst, Vancouver

Peter P. Poling, Construction Services & Field Purchasing, Contract Specialist, Vancouver

#### 20 years

Dawn R. Boorse, Environmental Analysis, Environmental Specialist, Portland

Germaine G. Sunday, General Counsel, Staff Manager, Portland Jacilyn R. Margeson, Corporate/Fish and Wildlife,

Senior Attorney-Advisor, Portland Debra K. Niemann, Corporate/Fish and Wildlife,

Secretary, Portland Donald V. Wolfe, Deregulation Optimization, Public

Utilities Specialist, Portland Edward L. Bleifuss, Risk Management, Manager, Risk

Management, Portland Nancy J. Vacca, Customer Services-Spokane, Public Utilities Specialist, Spokane

Julie K. Rose, Trading Floor, Public Utilities Specialist, Portland

Larry W. Simms, Substation Maintenance-Ross, Electrician Foreman I, Vancouver Iris S. Brannam, Transmission Supply, Public

Utilities Specialist, Vancouver Adele M. Steinwinder, Transmission Development, Civil Engineering Technician, Portland

### 25 years

Christine V. Kondrat, Federal Hydro Projects, Public Utilities Specialist, Portland

Carie E. Lee, Regional Coordination, Public Utilities Specialist, Portland

Roger L. Maddox, Customer Services-Spokane, Public Utilities Specialist, Spokane

Diane L. Sisson, Revenue, Metering & Contract, Public Utilities Specialist, Portland James D. Potts, Central Electrical Services,

Electrician, Vancouver

Kippen R. Moxness, Transmission Marketing & Sales, Customer Account Executive, Vancouver Mark S. Davis, Transmission Supply, Public Utilities Specialist, Vancouver

Richard L. Hill, Control and Protection, Electrical Engineer, Portland

Matt A. Hakola Jr., Munro Dispatch, System Dispatcher, Mead

### 30 years

Thomas C. Deklyen, Communications and Liaison, Electrical Engineer, Portland Dennis E. Surface, General Craft Services, Painter,

Vancouver

Larry E. Bickham, SPC Snohomish, System Protection Control Craftsman II, Snohomish Carolyn M. Lakey, Olympia Region, Transmission

Field Clerk, Chehalis Donald R. House, Telecommunications, Electronics

Engineering Technician, Portland Henry E. Penrod, Dittmer Dispatch, Senior System Dispatcher-Relief, Vancouver

### 35 years

Leonard O. Halseth Jr., Substation Maintenance, Electrician Foreman III, Covington

**Dale D. Weaver**; Substation Operations, Substation Operator, Port Angeles

Wayne H. Litzenberger, Control and Protection, Electrical Engineer, Portland

# November anniversaries

### 10 years

Kamala Rogers-Holliday, Sr. Training and Communications Specialist, Change Management, Portland

Michael A. Jenkins, Electrician, Substation Maintenance, Chemawa

Joseph A. Bogner, Power System Control Craftsman, PSC -Garrison, Garrison

Jared D. Sarkinen, Electrical Engineer, SPC-Kalispell, Kalispell

### 15 years

Cashus J. Fisher, Electrician, Substation Mainte-

Kathryn K. Donaldson, Administrative Specialist, Staff Management, Portland

Rosario Tate, Public Utilities Specialist, Scheduling Coordination, Vancouver

Don C. Weaver, Public Utilities Specialist, Schedule Planning, Portland

### 20 years

David C. Lee, Carpenter Foreman III, General Craft Services, Vancouver

David D. Deacon, Electrician Apprentice I, Apprentices, Vancouver

Rose M. Henschel, Quality Assurance Specialist, Materials Management, Vancouver

### 25 years

Kenneth D. Allen, Substation Operator, Substation Operations, Kalispell Helenann W. Volpe, Mechanical Engineer, Transmission Lines, Portland

Tsu-Huei Liu Ger, Electrical Engineer, Network Planning, Vancouver

Sandra M. Rapozo, Realty Specialist, Real Estate

Field Services, Bell

### 30 years

Mathew G. Alling, Senior System Dispatcher, Munro

Paul G. Priddy, Computer Specialist, Munro

Larry A. Davidson, Manager, Financial Operations, Portland

**Thomas C. Thompson,** Sheet Metal Foreman II, General Craft Services, Vancouver

Stephen K. Davis, Deputy Regional Manager, Snohomish Daniel A. Hodson, Substation Operator, Substation

Operations, Vancouver Randall W. Chong, Substation Operator, Substation

# Operations, Kalispell 35 years

Richard P. Castoldi, Electrician Foreman III, Substation Maintenance, Olympia

Garry W. Peterson, Chief, Substation Operator III, Substation Operations, Celilo

David M. Stefonek, Electrical Engineer, Network Planning, Vancouver

# Retirements

Christopher M. Mugot, Operating Accountant, Managerial Accounting, retired Sept. 9 with 23 years service.

Karen A. Delano, Visual Information Specialist, Audio/Visual Media, retired Sept. 18 with 25 years

John A. Lambert, Accountant, Managerial Accounting, retired Sept. 23 with 26 years service.

Sharon K. Blair, Information Manager, Transmission Business Line, retired Sept. 29 with 21 years service. Lester L. Davidson, Computer Specialist, Application Services, retired Sept. 29 with 20 years service. Leo W. DeCandido, Lead Electrical Engineering

30 with 35 years service. **Linda R. Emmons,** Inventory & Logisitcs System Control Coordinator, retired Sept. 30 with 30 years

Technician, Scheduling & Estimating, retired Sept.

Maureen R. Flynn, Public Utilities Specialist, Federal Hydro Projects, retired Sept. 30 with 21 years

Edward C. Klinkenberg, General Engineer, Scheduling and Estimating, retired Sept. 30 with 32

Joris O. Lommen, Civil Engineer, Survey, Mapping & Photogrammetry, retired Sept. 30 with 34 years

Robert F. Mazurkiewicz, Supervisory Nuclear Engineer, Contract Generating Resources - Operation, retired Sept. 30 with 29 years service.

Vincent P. Ripley, Printing Plant Foreman, CGMP, retired Sept. 30 with 33 years service.

Robert Ward, Computer Specialist, CITV, retired Sept. 30 with 23 years service. Eugene C. Meyers, Line Equipment Operator B, Transmission Field Services, retired Oct. 1 with 22

years service. Demetrious C. (Jim) Assuras, Management Analyst, CIP retired Oct. 31 with 35 years service.

Larry R. Jones, System Dispatcher, Outage, Munro Dispatch, retired Nov. 3 with 30 years service. Paulette I. Seeman, Administrative Tech, Personnel

Services, retired Nov. 4 with 30 years service. Charles W. Marsh, Chief Operator III, Transmission Field Services, retired Nov. 3 with 30 years service.